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                          IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                                FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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     CITY OF FERNLEY, a political
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     subdivision of the State of Nevada,
                                                 Case Number: 3:21-cv-119-MMD
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                   Plaintiff.
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                                                 FEDERAL DEFENDANTS' UNOPPOSED
                          v.
                                                 MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO
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                                                 FILE MOTION FOR STAY OF
     ERNEST A. CONANT, Regional
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                                                 DISCOVERY
     Director; UNITED STATES BUREAU
     OF RECLAMATION,
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                   Defendants.
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           Ernest Conant and the United States Bureau of Reclamation (collectively "Federal
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    Defendants") hereby move for an extension of time until August 23 to file any motion for stay of
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    discovery.
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           The Court's July 26th Order gave the parties three options to file papers by today's date.
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    The third option was an opposed motion to stay discovery. The parties have conferred
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    extensively and today filed a joint Rule 26(f) report and proposed discovery plan. But it became
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    apparent on August 6th that the parties cannot agree on the date to start discovery on two claims,
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despite Federal Defendants' agreement to expedite production of the Administrative Record and

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the parties' agreement that any initial disclosures on the DJA and Nuisance claims are due October 8th. This did not leave time to circulate, receive approval of and file a motion on the disputed issue by today. As stated in the Joint Rule 26(f) Report, Defendants wish to reserve the right to move for a stay of discovery under *Tradebay* and other factors. 278 F.R.D. 597 (2011). However, because the Court's July 26th Order may be interpreted to require that any motion for stay of discovery must be filed by today in addition to the Joint Report, the Federal Defendants asked Plaintiffs if they would object to a motion for extension of time. Both Plaintiffs expressed their belief that the filing of this motion is contrary to the Court's prior instruction. However, Fernley has stated it will not file an opposition to this motion if the requested extension is only until August 23. Plaintiffs Stix and Edmonston have stated they take no position on the motion. Federal Defendants therefore request that the Court allow for motions to stay discovery to be filed by August 23. Respectfully submitted this 9th day of August, 2021, by: CHRISTOPHER CHIOU Acting United States Attorney **GREG ADDINGTON** 

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Magistrate Judge Carla Baldwin United States District Court

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on August 9, 2021, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court via the CM/ECF system, which will send notification to the attorneys of record in this case.

/s/ Eve W. McDonald EVE W. MCDONALD